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Students get close-up look at Army horses, Air Force robot at career day

By L.A. Shively
JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Public Affairs

Students from Sun Valley Elementary School learned about military horses and played tug-of-war with a bomb-disposal robot among other activities during a recent career day at the school's campus in the Southwest Independent School District.

A jumble of first graders, clustered together on the sidewalk, clapped and squealed as several horses from the Fort Sam Houston Caisson Section galloped across the school's grassy playground and came to a halt in front of them.

As the horses grazed



Photo by L.A. Shively

John Guerro, a second grader at Sun Valley Elementary School, watches closely while one of the Fort Sam Houston Caisson Section horses chews grass.

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2014 U.S. Army All-American Bowl features Warren defensive tackle, Boerne Champion kicker/punter

By Steve Elliott
JBSA-Fort Sam Houston
Public Affairs

A pair of local high school football players will be joining dozens of other elite high school football players for the U.S. Army All-American Bowl at the Alamodome Jan. 4.

First is Trey Lealaimatafao, a 6-foot, 301-pound senior defensive tackle from San Antonio's

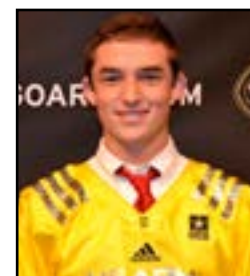
Warren High School. The second is senior place kicker/punter Clayton Hatfield from Boerne Champion High School.

Lealaimatafao, who owns a 3.4 grade-point average as well as 4.9-second speed in the 40-yard run, will suit up for the West team at noon Jan. 4 as the nation's top seniors battle each other on the gridiron in this, the

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Senior defensive tackle Trey Lealaimatafao plays for the Warren High School Warriors.



Courtesy photos
Place kicker and punter Clayton Hatfield is a senior with the Boerne Champion High School Chargers.

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Maintain your situational awareness during holidays

By Mance Clark

502nd Security Forces and
Logistics Support Group
Antiterrorism Officer

As we celebrate the holiday season, we must maintain a state of heightened situational awareness and continue to report any suspicious activity, especially while traveling or attending large public gatherings.

Here are just a few tips for a happy and safe holiday:

At Home:

- Don't place on open sources (Facebook, Twitter or MySpace) that you will be out of town or at the airport.

- Be extra cautious about locking doors and windows when you leave your house or apartment, even if it's just for a few minutes.

- Don't display holiday gifts where they can be seen from a window or doorway. Store gifts before you go away on a holiday trip.

- If you take a holiday trip away from your home, have some interior lights activated by an automatic timer. Have a neighbor or family member watch your house, pick up the mail and newspaper and park his or her motor vehicle in your driveway from time

to time.

- Immediately after the holidays, mark new gifts with an identification number and record new serial numbers.

- Avoid leaving boxes from purchases – especially TVs, VCRs and computers – out on the curb for trash pickup.

Shopping:

- Shop before dark and coordinate shopping trips with a friend, if possible. Never park in an unlit lot or area, no matter how convenient it is.

- Lock your packages and gifts in your vehicle's trunk. Keep vehicle doors locked and windows closed.

- Avoid carrying large amounts of cash. Pay for purchases with a check, credit card or debit card if possible.

- To discourage purse snatchers, don't overburden yourself with packages. Be extra careful with purses and wallets. Carry a purse under your arm. Keep a wallet in an inside jacket pocket, not a back trouser pocket.

Traveling:

- Inform family members of your travel itinerary and, if driving, your route and anticipated arrival time.

- If flying, move to secure staging areas as soon as possible.

- Visit <http://www.Travel.State.Gov> or <http://www.TXDOT.gov> for other safety tips and road conditions along your route.

Remember, being responsible and maintaining situational awareness is the best way to avoid preventable mishaps.

For more information or suggestions about staying safe over the holidays, contact the Joint Base San Antonio-Randolph Antiterrorism Office at 652-1357, the JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Antiterrorism Office at 295-0534 or the JBSA-Lackland Antiterrorism Office at 671-5926.

Word on the Street

What is your favorite holiday tradition?



**Chief Warrant Officer 2
Sarah Smith**
412th Contracting
Support Brigade

"Opening the gifts."



Maj. Matthew Nichols
187th Medical
Battalion

"My wife, myself and our daughter like to wake up on Christmas morning, make chocolate chip pancakes and watch a Christmas movie while we open our gifts."



Richard Cortez
Veteran

"Getting the family together. My wife makes tamales and we bring them to our family up in Austin."



Muriel Moon
Family member

"To take the whole family out shopping, then split up and go buy gifts for the other person. The little kids love it."

Correction

In the Dec. 13, 2013 edition of the Fort Sam Houston News Leader, the Brooke Army Medical Center Simulation Center was incorrectly identified. We apologize for the oversight.

Holiday Gate Hours

The following access control points at Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston will be closed during the holidays. ACP's not listed will continue normal operating hours.

SAMMC I-35	Closed through Jan. 5, 2014
Jadwin	Closed Wednesday-Thursday and Jan. 1
Wilson	Closed Saturday through Jan. 1
Army North Pedestrian	Closed Saturday through Jan. 1
New Braunfels	Closed Saturday through Jan. 1
SAMMC Beach	Open 24/7



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News Briefs

Community Town Halls

The 502nd Air Base Wing and Joint Base San Antonio commander, Brig Gen. Bob LaBrutta, is hosting three Community Town Halls in January to discuss issues currently affecting JBSA. The dates, times and locations for each town hall are as follows:

Jan. 21, 6 p.m., JBSA-Fort Sam Houston, Evans Theater
Jan. 22, 6 p.m., JBSA-Randolph, Fleenor Auditorium
Jan. 23, 6 p.m., JBSA-Lackland, Bob Hope Theater

Last News Leader Until Jan. 10

The News Leader will not be published Dec. 27 or Jan. 3. The next issue will be published Jan. 10. For more informatin, call 221-1031.

Giant Voice Tests

The 502nd Air Base Wing Giant Voice mass notification system will undergo several readiness tests at Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston, JBSA-Lackland and JBSA-Randolph between 10 a.m. and noon Jan. 14 to ensure mass notification is audible and understandable across JBSA.

SAMMC Gate Closes Through Jan. 5

Officials from the 502nd Civil Engineer Squadron have announced the San Antonio Military Medical Center entrance at Interstate 35 and George Beach Avenue will be temporarily closed to build the new access control point and visitor control center. The closure starts at 8 p.m. today and ends at 8 p.m. Jan. 5. Traffic will be directed to the Binz-Engleman and George Beach Avenue entrance. The new commercial vehicle gate at the I-35 access control point will continue normal operating hours for commercial vehicles. Detour and warning signage will be in place in advance of the closure period. The closure ends when the SAMMC ACP and VCC will be opened with two inbound lanes and one outbound lane, until the last outbound lane is completed by the contractor. For more information, call 221-3514 or 221-3110.

AUSA Luncheon

Gen. John F. Campbell, vice chief of staff of the Army and Sgt. Maj. of the Army Raymond Chandler III are the speakers for the Alamo chapter of the

Air Force announces programs to reduce size of military, civilian forces

Members of the Joint Base San Antonio Air Force team may see some personnel changes in their organization due to force management programs announced Dec. 11. Air Force leaders said the programs are designed to reduce the force as a result of sequestration.

The Air Force may have to cut about 25,000 Airmen over the next five years and also reduce the size of its civilian workforce by about 900 positions. The civilian reduction is in addition to maintaining approximately 7,000 vacancies across the force to meet the demands of a constrained fiscal 2014 budget, officials added.

"While Headquarters Air Force has not released specific numbers per base, this reduction will certainly affect Joint Base San Antonio," said Lt. Col. Erica Rabe, commander of the 802nd Force Support Squadron at JBSA-Lackland.

Fiscal 2014 force management initiatives are in addition to the announcement

made in July, stating the Air Force will implement several force management programs to meet budget reduction requirements.

Air Force leaders made the decision to announce the overall strategic plan now so that Airmen and civilian employees have the necessary time to consider all their career options.

"The difference from years past is that we announced voluntary programs first, then involuntary," said Lt. Gen. Samuel Cox, deputy chief of staff for manpower, personnel and services. "This year, due to the limited timeframe, we're announcing all programs at once to allow Airmen time to consider their options and ensure their personnel records are up to date."

Several programs will be announced in the coming weeks. Boards will consider an Airman's entire record of performance and will be conducted in accordance with Air Force promotion board standards.

Enlisted only programs

The chief master sergeant retention board will include two phases.

During phase one, chiefs in specific specialties may apply for voluntary retirement in lieu of meeting a retention board. Chiefs with 20 years of total active military service from identified overage career fields who do not apply for retirement before the phase one window closes March 15, 2014, will be considered by the board, Cox said.

The quality force review board will look at senior master sergeants and below with a negative quality indicator code. Negative codes include reporting identifiers, grade status reasons, reenlistment eligibility or assignment availability codes. For a complete list of codes, Airmen should visit the MyPers website at <https://mypers.af.mil> once the Personnel Services Delivery Memorandum for this program is released.

Airmen who have declined to obtain retainability for PCS, TDY, retraining/training,

deployments or promotion will be looked at under the Date of Separation, or DOS, rollback program.

Voluntary separation pay applies to Airmen on the active duty list with more than six years, but no more than 20 years of total active federal military service, and will be offered to enlisted retention board-eligible Airmen as a voluntary incentive prior to retention board.

The enlisted retention boards will look at senior airmen through senior master sergeants in overage Air Force specialty codes with a date of rank of Jan. 1, 2013 or earlier. Senior NCOs with a minimum of 20 years of total active federal military service by the mandated retirement date will also be considered by the board.

Officer-only programs

Force shaping boards will consider active-duty officers with more than three but less than six years of commis-

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Stage 3 water restrictions implemented across JBSA

By Steve Elliott

JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Public Affairs

The 10-day average of the Bexar County index well J-17 – the official well for recording groundwater elevations in the San Antonio Pool of the Edwards Aquifer – fell to 639.9 feet mean sea level as of Dec. 16, 2013.

This was the trigger that sent all Joint Base San Antonio locations into Stage 3 water restrictions.

The JBSA Base Civil Engineer declared Stage 3 in accordance with the current JBSA

Critical Period Management Plan and Biological Opinion issued by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

The biological opinion limits JBSA's water draw from the Edwards Aquifer in order to protect eight endangered species which live in the aquifer and its associated springs. These species can only survive when aquifer levels and spring flows are adequately maintained.

The changes from Stage 2 facing base residents are substantial.

"All the Stage 2 restrictions

are still in place. In addition, irrigation is now limited to once every other week with watering times from 7 to 11 a.m. and 7 to 11 p.m.," said Aaron Farmer, 502nd Civil Engineer Squadron. "This will be done with an irrigation system, sprinkler or soaker hose, and only on your designated watering day."

In Stage 3, the watering days are:

- Address/facility number ends in 0 or 1, Monday is the watering day;
- Address/facility number ends in 2 or 3, Tuesday is the water-

ing day;

- Address/facility number ends in 4 or 5, Wednesday is the watering day;
- Address/facility number ends in 6 or 7, Thursday is the watering day;
- Address/facility number ends in 8 or 9, Friday is the watering day.

"Use of portable yard pools is prohibited, as well as fire hydrant and sewer flushing," Farmer added. "Government-operated vehicles are allowed to be washed once per month

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CAISSON SECTION HELPS SANTA GET TO GOLD STAR FAMILIES



Photo by Lori Dean

Members of the Fort Sam Houston Caisson Section helped Santa Claus get to Gold Star Families for the Survivor Outreach Services Christmas celebration at building 1304 on Stanley Road Dec. 8. About 40 people attended the ceremony for Gold Star mothers and surviving families.

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Association of the U.S. Army luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Jan. 3 at the Sam Houston Community Club. Individual reservations are \$20 per person. For more information, visit <http://www.AlamoAUSA.org>.

502nd Air Base Wing Annual Awards Banquet

The 502nd Air Base Wing Annual Awards Banquet is from 6-9 p.m. Jan. 17 at the Gateway Club, located at 1650 Kenly Ave. on Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland. Dress is mess dress or semi-formal uniform for military and black tie/formal for civilians. Cost is \$33 for club members and \$35 for non-members. Dinner options are six-ounce ribeye, chicken supreme with cream cheese and herbs or vegetable lasagna. Call Tech. Sgt. Jonathon Green at 652-8298 for more information.

Thrift Shop Holiday Schedule

The Thrift Shop at Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston run by the Spouses' Club of the Fort Sam Houston Area at 3100 Zinn Road is closed until Jan. 6. For more information, call 221-5794/4537 or visit <http://www.scfsh.com>.

Lincoln Military Housing Offices Closure

The Lincoln Military Housing Offices will be closed Tuesday and Wednesday in observance of the Christmas holiday. Normal operations resume at 8 a.m. Thursday. Call 225-5564 for maintenance emergencies and 911 for all other emergencies.

RCI Office Closure

The Residential Communities Initiative Office will be closed Wednesday in observance of the Christmas holiday. Normal business operations resume Thursday.

WHASC Pain Clinic Closure

The pain management clinic at the Wilford Hall Ambulatory Surgical Center will close, effective Jan. 6, 2014. All pain management services will be at the San Antonio Military Medical Center after that date. For appointments in January and February, call 292-7160.

Fort Sam Houston Caisson horse named for former sergeant major of the Army

By Staff Sgt. Corey Baltos
Army North Public Affairs

For the newest member of the Fort Sam Houston Caisson Section, 13 is his lucky number.

Cole, a 9-year-old Percheron draft horse and the 13th four-legged member of the section, was formally named after the 13th sergeant major of the Army – retired Sgt. Maj. of the Army Kenneth Preston – during a naming ceremony Dec. 12 outside of the Quadrangle.

The tradition of formally naming a horse after an SMA dates back to the founding of the section in 2001.

“Sgt. Maj. Leon Van Autreve was instrumental in starting up this

unit,” said John Deeley, stable master and training officer for the Caisson Section.

“The first horse was named after him as a way to honor him. It was then decided that once a new horse earned a place on the caisson team, he would be formally named after a sergeant major of the Army.”

Leon Van Autreve was the fourth sergeant major of the Army.

While other caisson horses have been named after SMAs, this is the first time a formal ceremony was conducted.

“I am very honored and humbled to be a part of this,” said

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Photo by Staff Sgt. Corey Baltos

Kenneth O. Preston (left), former sergeant major of the Army, and Command Sgt. Maj. Hu Rhodes ride Preston and Van Autreve, respectively, back to the Fort Sam Houston stables Dec. 12 following the official naming ceremony for Preston. Rhodes is senior Army enlisted leader for U.S. Army North, Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston and JBSA-Camp Bullis.

HEALING THROUGH MUSIC



Photo by Lori Newman

Ethan Jacques, 6, plays “Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer” with the encouragement of his music instructor, Dion Kruczek (left), and his mother, Natalia Jacques (right) during the Musical Moments Holiday Recital at the Gift Chapel Dec. 16. Jacques was one of eight performers and is enrolled in the Exceptional Family Member Program at Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston. Kruczek has been teaching piano lessons to wounded warriors and EFMP members to help them deal with pain or anxiety. For more information about the EFMP, call 221-0946.

‘FORT SAM’S OWN’ ARMY BAND HOLIDAY CONCERT



Photo by Sgt. 1st Class Christopher DeHart

Command Sgt. Maj. Hu Rhodes (left) and Lt. Gen. Perry Wiggins introduce the 323rd Army Band “Fort Sam’s Own” at their holiday concert Dec. 8 in the Scottish Rite Theatre. “I want to tell you there is one way you can add one plus one plus one and get one,” Rhodes said. “We’ve got one great venue, we’ve got one great city, we’ve got one great band and we’re going to have one great time.” Rhodes is the senior Army enlisted leader for U.S. Army North (Fifth Army), Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston and JBSA-Camp Bullis. Wiggins is the commanding general for Army North and senior Army commander for JBSA-Fort Sam Houston and JBSA-Camp Bullis.

BAMC announces NCO and Soldier of the Year

By Staff Sgt. Christina Delgado
Brooke Army Medical Center
Troop Command

Brooke Army Medical Center named the 2014 Noncommissioned Officer and the Soldier of the Year during a ceremony at San Antonio Military Medical Center Dec. 6.

Army Sgt. Bryan D. Rowland and Army Spc. Juan P. Rodriguez were the winners of the eight-day competition hosted at Joint Base San Antonio-Camp Bullis.

The Soldiers earned their titles through a series of competitive events.

These began with a 4:30 a.m. packing list inventory followed by a road march, the Army Physical Fitness Test in the Army Combat Uniform, weapons qualifications with the M16 rifle and M9 pistol, combat-



Photo by Christina Delgado

(From left) Brooke Army Medical Center Command Sgt. Maj. Mark Pumphrey, Sgt. Bryan Rowland, Spc. Juan Rodriguez, and BAMC Commander Col. Kyle Campbell pose after a recognition ceremony at San Antonio Military Medical Center Dec. 6. Rowland and Rodriguez won the 2014 Noncommissioned Officer and Soldier of the Year competition.

ives, a formal board, a written test and finally ending the day with night urban orienteering.

"It was about the total Soldier concept," said Troop Command Sgt. Maj.

Jorge L. Lopez.

"We stressed them mentally as well as physically," Lopez added. "We challenged them with continuous competitive events with an average of 30 minutes between each event."

Rowland and Rodriguez

are both assigned to Company B, Troop Command and each has served four years in the Army.

The Soldiers will represent BAMC in the Southern Regional Medical Command Best Warrior Competition in the spring of 2014.

METC

Medical Laboratory Technician program: Fast-paced course in high-demand career field

By Lori Newman
JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Public Affairs

(Editor's Note: This is the fifth in a series of articles highlighting some of the consolidated enlisted medical training programs offered by the Medical Education and Training Campus at Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston.)

About 70 percent of the decisions made in a hospital are based on laboratory data, explained Lt. Cmdr. Trent Freeman, director of the Army and Navy Medical Laboratory Technician Program at the Medical Education and Training Campus.

"That's significant; that tells you the importance of the trade, the skill and the education our students are receiving. What they do affects patient care."

The MLT program, accredited by the National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Science, is 52 weeks for the Army and 53 weeks for the Navy. The program is divided into two phases – the didactic, or classroom instruction, phase at METC and a clinical

phase done at various hospitals throughout the continental United States.

The METC Medical Laboratory Technician program provides education and training in the major disciplines of the clinical laboratory including clinical chemistry, hematology, immunohematology, immunology, parasitology, urinalysis, blood donor center operations, specimen collection and processing, and laboratory operations and management.

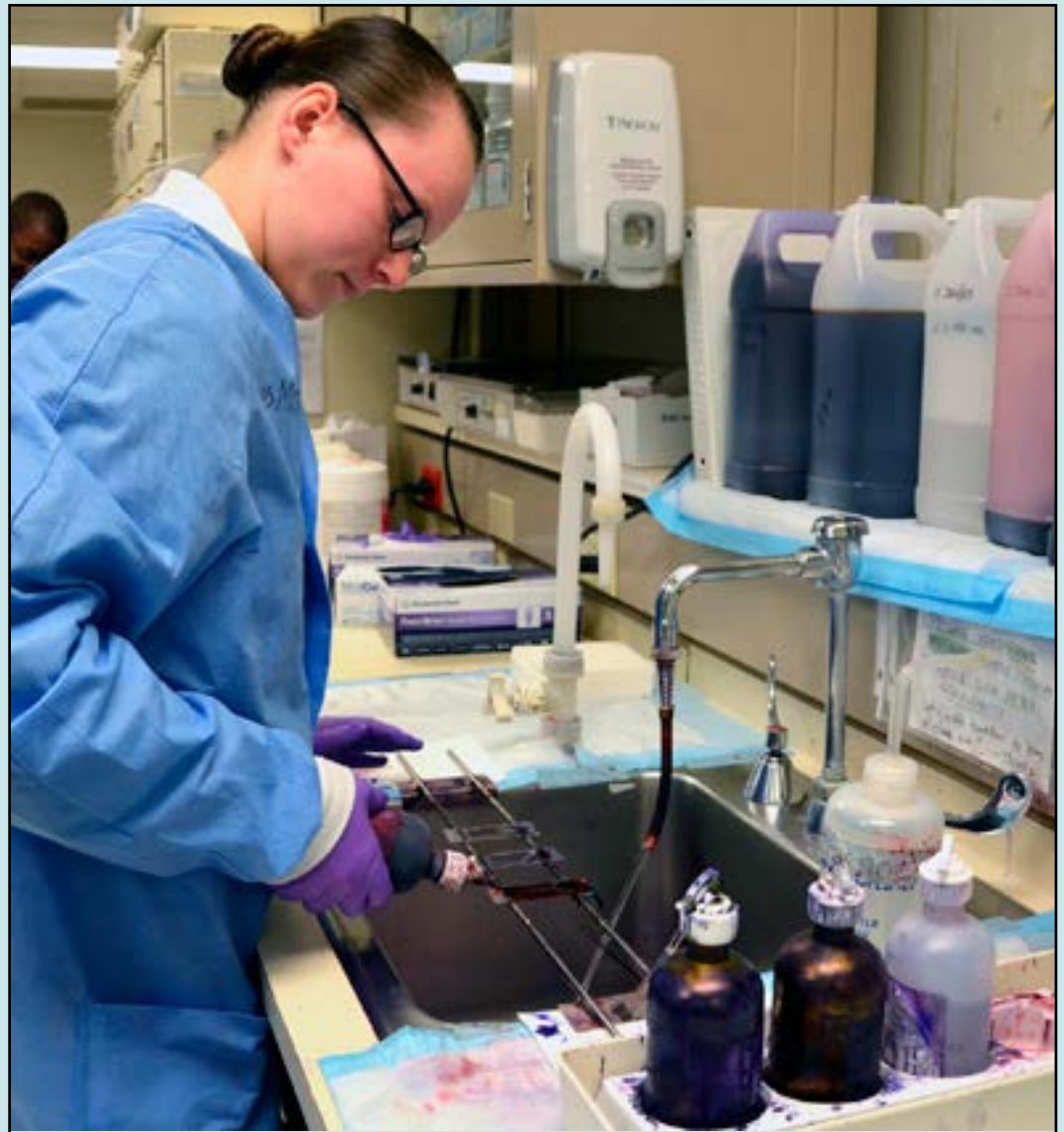
"There is a high demand for MLTs and this is a very challenging program," Freeman said.

Graduates will comprehend, apply and analyze information relevant to the role of the medical laboratory technician.

They will be technically proficient in all skills required to perform the duties of a laboratory technician and exhibit ethical behaviors consistent with professional expectations for medical laboratory technicians.

Phase one of the program is about 70 percent didactic and 30 percent hands-on.

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Petty Officer 3rd Class Lisa Mosttler stains a glass slide using the Gram's method to differentiate bacterial species into large groups (Gram-positive and Gram-negative).



Staff Sgt. Macario Patten leads a discussion on an arterial blood gas case study within the Chemistry 201 course at the Medical Education and Training Campus Dec. 3.

Photos by
Lori Newman



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Monthly Events

January

Arts & Crafts

Save with custom frame special

The JBSA-Lackland Arts & Crafts Center offers 30 percent off select frames Jan. 7-17. Custom framing at Arts & Crafts has significant savings compared to off-base competitors. For more information, call 671-2515.

Auto Hobby

Auto Hobby Shop offers Texas vehicle safety inspections

The JBSA-Lackland Auto Hobby Shop performs Texas vehicle safety inspections for \$14.50 pass or fail. For more information, call 671-3549.

Bowling

New Year's Day celebrates with bowling special

The JBSA-Randolph Bowling Center celebrates the new year Jan. 1 with a special bowling rate of \$2.50 per game, per person and \$2.35 shoe rental. For more information, call 652-6271.

Bowling Center celebrates Martin Luther King Jr.

The JBSA-Randolph Bowling Center celebrates the life of Martin Luther King Jr. Jan. 18-20, with a special bowling rate of \$2.50 (excluding Cosmic Bowling) per game, per person with \$2.35 shoe rental for the entire weekend. For more information, call 652-6271.

"Gone to Vegas" bowling special offered to patrons

While the leagues are bowling in Las Vegas, the JBSA-Randolph Bowling Center entices patrons to take advantage of \$1 bowling with \$2.35 shoe rental, Jan. 21-23, 6-9 p.m. For more information, call 652-6271.

Patrons enjoy great deals at the bowling center

The JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Bowling Center offers \$1 games and shoe rentals Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Customers also get a free game when they knock down a red pin from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday and Friday. Both bowling deals begin Jan. 6. For more information, call 221-4740.

Skylark Bowling Center closes lanes during renovation

The JBSA-Lackland Skylark Bowling Center undergoes a renovation beginning in January resulting in only 16 lanes available for bowling. The facility will also close periodically to accommodate installation of new flooring and replacement of ceiling tiles. For more information, call 671-1234.

Clubs

Club features Beach Party Bash buffet

Feast on island favorites at the JBSA-Lackland Gateway Club Beach Party Bash buffet in the food court Jan. 17, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Featured entrees include lemon chicken, beef broccoli, shrimp lo mein, mandarin orange, spinach salad, fried bananas with honey and much more! Pay only \$9.95 per person. For more information, call 645-7034.

Club members gather for Appreciation Night

The JBSA-Lackland Gateway Club host Members' Appreciation Night Jan. 21, 5-8 p.m. Patrons dine on a buffet dinner with beef, chicken and fish entrees. DJ Doggin' Dave provides the music and a ballroom dance contest is also featured. Price is \$10.50 for members and \$12.50 for nonmembers. For more information, call 645-7034.

Community Programs

Harlequin Dinner Theatre presents "Dial 'M' For Murder"

A man married his wife for her money and plans to murder her for the same reason. He arranges for the perfect crime and creates a brilliant alibi for himself. Unfortunately the murderer gets murdered and the victim survives. Dial "M" For Murder runs Jan. 16 through March 1 at the Harlequin Dinner Theatre on JBSA-Fort Sam Houston. For more information, call 222-9694.

Arnold Hall hosts snow day

The JBSA-Lackland Arnold Hall Community Center transforms the amphitheater grounds, located beside the Gateway Club, into a winter wonderland Jan. 17, 4:30-7:30 p.m. Patrons enjoy sledding on 48,000 pounds of snow covering the ground at this free event. Sleds are provided and no personal sleds or tubes allowed. For more information, call 671-2619.

Price matching framing saves patrons money

The JBSA-Randolph Community Services Mall offers framing at discounted rates. Expert framers are available to help pick out that perfect custom frame for any special occasion such as sports awards, special achievements or graduations. In addition, the Community Services Mall will match any off-base price on a comparable custom framing job and customers pay no sales tax. For more information, call 652-5142.

Wide variety of equipment available for all types of events

The JBSA-Randolph Community Service Mall offers equipment at great prices for all types of events. For more information, call 652-5142 option 2.

Fitness and Sports

Start the year with a New Year's Day run

The New Year's Day run consists of two events. There is a four-mile race that starts at 10 a.m. and a 1.4-mile walk/run which start at 10:10 a.m. This event takes place Jan. 1 at the JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Pershing Ball Park next to the RV Park. This is a free event open to all DOD ID cardholders. For more information, call 221-3593 or 221-4887.

Patrons start new year with run

The JBSA-Randolph Fitness Center hosts their annual Resolution 5K run Jan. 1, 8 a.m., at Eberle Park. For more information, call 652-7263.

Fitness Center hosts year-long fitness program

The JBSA-Randolph Fitness Center kicks off the year-long fitness program, "New Year, New You" Jan. 1. The goal of this self-monitored program is to run/walk 70 miles, attend 24 group fitness classes and bike 36 miles. For more information, call 652-7263.

Registration underway for Polar Bear Aquathon

Athletes are invited to take on the challenge of the Polar Bear Aquathon, March 1, 2 p.m., at the JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Outdoor Aquatic Center. Registration forms are available Jan. 15 at the Jimmy Brought Fitness Center. For more information, call 221-4887.

Patrons learn proper weight lifting

The JBSA-Randolph's Fitness Center teaches patrons proper lifting techniques and how to improve their workouts during a free weight lifting class Jan. 17, 11:30 a.m., in exercise room 128. For more information, call 652-7263.

Patrons take part in Socks and Squat competition

The Socks and Squats competition takes place Jan. 26, 1 p.m., at the JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Fitness Center on the Medical Education and Training Campus. Sign up for this event no later than Jan. 18. Patrons can compete in the individual competition or the team competition. For more information, call 808-5709.

Varsity softball teams forming

The JBSA-Lackland Fitness and Sports conducts tryouts at the Warhawk softball diamond for the men's and women's varsity softball teams. Men's tryouts are Jan. 22, 24, 28-29, 31 and Feb. 4-5, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Women's tryouts are Jan. 21-22, 28 and 30, 5-7 p.m. and Jan. 26 and Feb. 2, 10 a.m. to noon. For more information, call 671-0854 or 671-2632.

JBSA FSS

Teams welcome at the Ranger Jam XV

Players, ages 18 and older, are invited to get their teams together for the JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Ranger Jam XV Varsity Basketball Tournament Jan. 25-26 at the Fitness Center on the Medical Education and Training Campus. The cost per team is \$350. For more information, call 808-5710.

Runners are invited to the Frosty 5K

Runners celebrate winter at the JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Frosty 5K Jan. 25, 9 a.m., at the Fitness Center on the Medical Education and Training Campus. For more information, call 808-5709.

Patrons sign up for Run/Bike/Run

The JBSA-Randolph Fitness Center hosts the Run/Bike/Run Feb. 2, 7 a.m., at Eberle Park. Patrons run a 5K, bike 10 miles and finish with a mile and a half run. For more information, call 652-7263.

Coaches needed for varsity softball

DOD ID cardholders ready to coach varsity softball should drop off a resume by Jan. 28 at the JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Fitness Center on the Medical Education and Training Campus or mail it to Earl Young, 2380 Stanley Rd., Fort Sam Houston, Texas 78234-5020. For more information, call 808-5710.

Chaparral Fitness Center offers free fitness classes

The JBSA-Lackland Chaparral Fitness Center offers a free core class every Tuesday and Thursday, 5:30 p.m. Patrons can build their core strength through vigorous workouts with one of Chaparral's fitness specialists. Tae Kwon Do is

offered Tuesday and Thursday at 6:30 p.m. Learn Tae Kwon Do basics from a seasoned instructor in this free class. For more information, call 671-2401.

Free classes taught at Gateway Fitness Center

Burn calories and challenge your body with weights, kettlebells and cardio in the JBSA-Lackland Gateway Fitness Center's strength and cardio class every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 11:30 a.m. to noon. Gear up for TRX training using leverage, gravity and body weight with a strap-like contraption every Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. A core cut-up class is offered every Tuesday and Thursday as well. For more information, call 671-1348.

Get fit with Zumba®

JBSA-Lackland Medina Fitness Center and Warhawk Fitness Center offer patrons two different Zumba® experiences for \$2 per session. The Zumba® Toning class at Medina Fitness Center Monday and Friday, 9-10 a.m., incorporates toning exercises into the dance workout. The Warhawk's Zumba® class offers a great calorie burn with dance and music. For more information, call 671-4525 at Medina or 671-2016 at the Warhawk.

Parents and toddlers enjoy exercise

JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Fitness Center on the Medical Education and Training Campus offers parents with strollers use of the indoor track, Monday-Friday, 9-11 a.m. For more information, call 808-5709.

Golf

Randolph Oaks honors Martin Luther King Jr.

The JBSA-Randolph Oaks Golf Course celebrates the life of Martin Luther King Jr. with a golf tournament Jan. 20. The tournament format is individual gross/net. Tee times are 7-9 a.m. Entry fee is \$10, plus green and cart fees. For more information, call 652-4570.

Golf course offers winter fee specials

The JBSA-Lackland Gateway Hills Golf Course offers green fee, cart fee, a hot dog and a 16-ounce draft beer or 20-ounce fountain drink for \$25 Monday and Wednesday, 6:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday twilight rates begin at 11:30 a.m. For more information, call 671-3466.

Golfers improve swing

The JBSA-Randolph Oaks Golf Course offers golfers the opportunity to improve their game and lower their scores. Golfers can make appointments with Brian Cannon or Charles Bishop for golf lessons. For more information, call 652-4653.

Golf Course available for special events

The JBSA-Randolph Oaks Golf Course offers special event packages for retirements, promotions, weddings and sports outings. For more information, call Corita at 652-4852.

IDOL FACTOR

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Participants are needed for the 2014 Idol Factor singing competition that begins in April and pays out prize money to the top three singers in JBSA.

For more information and a registration packet, go to www.randolphhs.com, or contact Steve Knechtel, JBSA Community Programs, at (210) 267-7358 (stephen.knechtel@us.af.mil).

Golfers invited to scramble

Golfers are invited to play in the Warrior Four-Person Scramble at the JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Golf Course Jan. 3 with a 12:30 p.m. shotgun start time. The cost is \$25 for members and \$35 for nonmembers. The scramble includes 18 holes of golf, dinner, gift certificates for the winners of the longest drive, the closest to the pin and for first, second and third place. For more information, call 222-9386.

Information, Tickets and Travel

Patrons travel to Louisiana

Travel to the Paragon Hotel and Casino Resort in Marksville, La., with JBSA-Lackland's Information, Tickets and Travel group tour Jan. 19-20. The cost is \$87 per person for double occupancy or \$127 for single occupancy and includes transportation, one-night stay, \$25 casino cash and a \$10 food voucher. For more information, call 671-3133.

Patrons enjoy a European Dream Tour

The JBSA-Lackland Information, Tickets and Travel offers an 11-day Spring Break European Dream Group Tour March 9-19. Travel to the cities of Rome, Venice, Varese, Lucerne, Paris and London with rates starting at \$3,500 per person, including airfare. Additional discounts are available. Make your dream a reality with ITT's payment plan. A \$200 non-refundable, land-only deposit per person and a \$10 service fee is due per booking. If airfare is purchased through Trafalgar Tours, a \$300 non-refundable air deposit is required at time of booking. For more information, call 671-7111.

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Information, Tickets and Travel offers trips to casino

The JBSA-Randolph Information, Tickets and Travel offers several trips to the Grand Casino Coushatta in Kinder, La., throughout the year. Trips are scheduled for March 18-19, May 13-14 and July 15-16. A trip includes round-trip motor coach transportation, hotel accommodations, a voucher for \$23 from the casino and tour guide. The bus departs at 7:30 a.m. and returns at approximately 9:30 p.m. the next day. Cost is \$60 for double occupancy or \$120 for single occupancy. Sign-up deadline is two weeks prior to trip date and payment is required at sign up. For more information, call 652-5142, option 1.

Travel Europe on nine-day highlights tour

JBSA-Lackland Information, Tickets and Travel offers a nine-day London-to-Rome highlights group tour June 12-22. Travelers tour London, Paris, Lucerne, Venice, Florence and Rome. Rates start at \$3,500 per person and include airfare. Additional discounts are available. For more information, call 671-7111.

Explore Ireland on nine-day group tour

Travel to Ireland on JBSA-Lackland's Information, Tickets and Travel group tour Aug. 2-9. Destinations include the United Kingdom, Dublin, Donegal, Limerick, Tralee and Blarney. Rates start at \$2,500 per person and include airfare. Additional discounts are available. For more information, call 671-7111.

Get away on a Sandals all-inclusive vacation

JBSA-Lackland Information, Tickets and Travel offers a Sandals all-inclusive Labor Day Getaway Aug. 30 through Sept. 4. Participants enjoy time at the Sandals Grande Riviera Beach and Villa Golf Resort in Ocho Rios. Rates start at \$2,070 per person based on two adults including airfare. For more information, call 671-7111.

Discount tickets offered to customers

The JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Ticket Office sells discount tickets and often has free tickets to local events. For more information, call 808-1378.

Library

Children's story time entertains and teaches

The JBSA-Randolph Library offers story time at 10 a.m. every Wednesday. It is a great opportunity for children to listen to wonderful stories and participate in a simple craft. Story time also allows children to interact with other young children and to start building their social skills. Story time themes are as follows: Jan. 8, Polar Bears; Jan. 15, Martin Luther King Jr.; Jan. 22, Penguins and Jan. 29, The Day the Crayons Quit. For more information, call 652-5578/2617.

Patrons learn ebooks and ezines

The JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Keith A. Campbell Memorial Library offers a class geared towards learning how to navigate ebooks and ezines on the Internet. This course takes place Jan. 3 and 17, 10 a.m. For more information, call 221-4702.

Library holds genealogy workshop

The JBSA-Lackland Library teaches patrons how to trace their family history in a free workshop, Jan. 14, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Topics include how to get started in genealogy and how to navigate genealogy websites. Registration is required. For more information, call 671-3610.

Military & Family Readiness

Newcomers get off on right foot

The JBSA-Lackland Military & Family Readiness Center hosts an orientation for military service members new to the area Jan. 8 and 22, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Coordination is required with the Unit Personnel or Commander Support Element to schedule this mandatory orientation. For more information, call 671-3722.

Members learn resume techniques

The JBSA-Randolph Military & Family Readiness Center teaches techniques that will assist in preparing a non-federal style resume Jan. 8, 9:30-11 a.m. For more information, call 652-5321.

Spouses invited to Heart Link

All spouses new to the military or JBSA-Randolph are invited to attend Heart Link, Jan. 9, 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., at the JBSA-Randolph Military & Family Readiness Center. Lunch is provided. For more information, call 652-5321.

Women get revitalized

After the stressors of the holiday season are over, women take time to get expert advice and tips on painless, effective and easy beauty solutions. Speakers include the creative director of Medusa the Salon, a licensed cosmetology instructor, a health and wellness entrepreneur and the owner of DSC LUX. There are lots of door prizes for participants. This event takes place Jan. 10, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., at the JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Military & Family Readiness Center. Women are encouraged to embrace the new year with lots of new, easy-to-follow beauty tips. For more information and registration, call 221-0349.

Patrons take part in support group

The Hearts Apart group is for those loved ones who are geographically separated from their military member due to deployment or TDYs to schools and training. Family members are invited to take part in this group Jan. 14, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., at the JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Military & Family Readiness Center. For more information, call 221-0946.

Spouses take part in Pre-deployment Resiliency class

The JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Military & Family Readiness Center offers a Pre-deployment Resiliency class Jan. 15, 10-11:30 a.m. This training helps identify the strengths each member of the family brings to the deployment experience. For more information, call 221-9079.

Child safety seats to be inspected

The JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Fire Department inspects children's safety seats Jan. 16, 1-3 p.m., for recalls, functionality and proper installation. Registration is required. Children must be present for proper weight and height measurements. For more information, call 221-0349/2418.

Class teaches spouses re-integration skills

The JBSA-Randolph Military & Family Readiness Center hosts Open Arms, a workshop for spouses of returning military members Jan. 16, 1-2 p.m. The class offers solutions to the various challenges specific to reuniting couples and families and provides resiliency skills and resources. For more information, call 652-5321.

Patrons learn to decipher credit scores

The JBSA-Randolph Military & Family Readiness Center offers patrons a chance to learn about credit scores Jan. 21, 9-10:30 a.m. Attendees learn how to interpret their credit report and correct common errors. For more information, call 652-5321.

Patrons learn about consumer awareness

The JBSA-Lackland Military & Family Readiness Center holds a consumer awareness class Jan. 22, 10-11:30 a.m. This course teaches how to plan, save and budget, and how to use credit wisely. For more information, call 671-3722.

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Class teaches healthy relationship and marriage skills

The JBSA-Randolph Military & Family Readiness Center helps participants define a healthy marriage Jan. 24, 3-4 p.m. This class offers tools to create and maintain a healthy marriage, how to effectively deal with conflict and how to set personal boundaries. For more information, call 652-5321.

Family Life Program offer classes to patrons

During January, the JBSA-Family Life Program offers multiple classes covering parenting skills, relationship enhancement, and general life skills. Classes are available at multiple locations throughout JBSA. For more information, call 221-0349.

Financial readiness is important for everyone

The JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Military and Family Readiness Center offers service members and their families classes to help them face uncertain financial times. Available classes include: credit and debt management, budgeting, saving and investing, consumer awareness and more. Registration is required for all classes. For information on dates and times or to register, call 221-2380/2418.

Family Child Care offers alternative child care

JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Family Child Care offers a non-traditional alternative for child care, perfect for families who want their child/children in a home-like environment. In addition to full and part time care, some providers offer drop-in services, weekend and evening/night time care as well as shift work and special needs care. For more information, call 221-3828.

Outdoor Recreation

Wide variety of equipment for rent

JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Outdoor Recreation has equipment rentals for everyone's needs. Camping, trailer and towing, water fun, sports and biking, barbecue and party, and equipment for around the house and garden; ODR has it all. For more information, call 221-5224/5225.

Patrons get free night

The JBSA Recreation Park at Canyon Lake offers patrons a great deal on bungalows during January and February. Patrons stay three nights and get the third night free. Each bungalow is equipped with a microwave, refrigerator and sink, a full-size bed, bunk beds (sleeps four but customers need to bring their own linens), air conditioning, heating and a bathroom with a hot shower. For more information, call 830-994-3576.

Park cabanas rent for half price

During January and February the JBSA Recreation Park at Canyon Lake rents park cabanas for \$22.50 per night, Monday through Thursday. Patrons are encouraged to enjoy the great outdoors without all the hassle associated with camping out. The park cabanas have one bedroom with a queen bed, sleeper sofa and two bunk beds, a bathroom shower, toilet and sink. The small kitchenette includes a refrigerator, stove, microwave and basic cooking utensils. Linens for beds are provided but towels and toiletries are not available in any of the accommodations. For more information, call 830-994-3576.

Archery Range open for shooting

The JBSA-Camp Bullis Archery Range is open Thursday-Monday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Targets range from 10-60 yards and the cost is \$3 for a daily pass or \$20 for an annual pass. For more information, call 295-7577.

Youth Programs

Spring soccer registration begins

JBSA-Lackland Youth Programs conducts spring soccer registration Jan. 2-16, 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., for children ages 5-14. The fee is \$45 per child. A current sports physical is due at time of registration. For more information, call 671-2388.

Youth have fun with Youth Programs

JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Youth Programs offers middle school and high school youth Fear Factor activities Jan. 4, 7-10 p.m. For more information call 221-3502.

Pre-teens celebrate new year

JBSA-Randolph Youth Programs invites pre-teens to celebrate the new year with their friends Jan. 10, 9 p.m. to 7 a.m. The cost is \$20 per person for members or \$25 per person for nonmembers. Festivities include dancing, games, crafts, cooking challenge, snacks and breakfast. Sign up no later than Jan. 8. For more information, call 652-3298.

Babysitting course available for teens

The JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Middle School Teen Center offers a multi-class babysitting course beginning Jan. 14. Classes meet every Tuesday and Thursday, 5:30-6:30 p.m., and cover topics such as safety, CPR and First Aid, child development, nutrition, entertaining children and business. Each participant who passes receives a certificate. The cost for the course is \$35. Participants must be 13 years and older. For more information or to sign up, call 221-3630.

Youth have fun at skate night

Middle school and high school age youth enjoy music, fun, and roller skating at skate night Jan. 17, 6-8 p.m., at the JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Middle School Teen Center. For more information, call 221-3630.

Youth enjoy midnight basketball

"Midnight Basketball" for youth takes place Jan. 17, 7 p.m. to midnight, at JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Youth Programs. Parents are invited to "bring their game" and hit the basketball court with their youth. This is a free event open to all DOD ID cardholders. For more information, call 221-3502.

Youth programs offers camps for children

JBSA-Lackland Youth Programs offers camps to children of DOD personnel for the following dates: Jan. 21, register by Jan. 6; Feb. 14, register by Feb. 3; and March 10-14, register by Feb. 24. Cost is based on household income. For more information, call 671-2388.

Parents get a night off

JBSA-Lackland Youth Programs and the JBSA-Lackland Child Development Program hold Give Parents a Break/Parents' Night Out offering child care Jan. 24, 7-11 p.m.

The fee is \$15 per child. Fees may be waived with a Give Parents a Break referral. Advance registration is required. For more information, call 671-2388 for YP or 671-1072 for the Lackland CDP.

After school clubs target interests

JBSA-Lackland Youth Programs offers a variety of after school clubs for children ages 5 (in kindergarten)-12 years old which entertain and provide a rewarding learning experience. Parents with children demonstrating interests in art, cooking, drama, gardening, Legos, photography, power hour, rabbit care, robotics or sewing should sign up. The cost to participate is \$16 per day, per child based on intermittent care/drop-in care rates. All required paperwork must be on file in order to participate. For more information, call 671-2388.

Group class instructors wanted

The JBSA-Lackland Youth Programs seeks individuals interested in sharing skills that would be beneficial to children in a group setting. Individual service contracts are now being considered. Call to learn out how to send your proposal. For more information, call 671-2388.

Youth go for the gold

The JBSA-Randolph Youth Programs encourages teens and young adults, ages 14-23, an opportunity to sign up for the Congressional Award Program. Participants set goals in the areas of personal development, voluntary public service, physical fitness and expeditions/explorations. Once the bronze, silver or gold medal level has been reached, an award will be presented by a member of Congress. For more information, call 652-3298.

Youth Programs seeks volunteer coaches

JBSA-Lackland Youth Programs needs volunteers to coach in the upcoming soccer and baseball seasons. Training is provided. For more information, call 671-2388.

JBSA-Randolph Youth Programs needs coaches for all leagues. A completed application including background checks must be on file prior to first practice. For more information, call 652-3298.



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METC from P10

"Most of the hands-on training during phase one is to enhance students' learning within the didactic portion of the program. It flips when the students go through phase two," Freeman said.

"It's a very intense program but the instructors do their best to explain everything and make sure you understand everything they have taught," said Seaman Daniella Senior, a phase one student.

Pfc. Eric Wilson said the work load and pace of the program is demanding but he said he loves the challenge.

"I love science. I always wanted to work in a laboratory and this was a great opportunity to get there," Wilson said.

Duties performed by a MLT can range from a basic blood

draw to performing cultures and identifying organisms, or selecting the appropriate blood product for transfusion and testing that blood product for various types of diseases.

"The most challenging thing is remembering all the different organisms we see," said Seaman Lisa Mosttler who is in her clinical phase at San Antonio Military Medical Center, one of the Army's 22 phase two sites. The Navy has 11 phase two sites.

During phase two, students are also evaluated on professionalism as well as technical ability.

"Professional behavior is extraordinarily important for us," Freeman said. "There are certain attributes we expect out of health care providers within the military and within the health care field in general."



Petty Officer 3rd Class Daniel Hartwell listens to a lecture on blood bank regulatory requirements and quality management in the Blood Bank 201 course at the Medical Education and Training Campus.

Upon completion of the program, Army and Navy students earn 60 semester hours to apply toward an associate degree and they are eligible to take the national certifica-

tion examination given by the Board of Certification of the American Society for Clinical Pathology.

"That is the gold standard for certification in the medical laboratory profession," Free-

man said.

"We have graduated about 888 students – 576 Soldiers and 312 Sailors. Out of 888 students, 72 percent have passed the national certification exam."

"There are so many different aspects of a medical lab tech," said phase two student Pfc. Gina Esposito. "You get to help people and it's really hands on. It's something that makes an impact on someone's life."

The Air Force also trains their MLTs at METC.

"Phase one of the Air Force program is four months long and phase two is nine months," said Capt. Kathiuska Lamb-Rodriguez, AF MLT program director. "The Air Force has 12 phase two sites throughout the United States."

Airmen receive 76 semester hours from the Community College of the Air Force once they have completed their MLT program.



Photos by Lori Newman

Pvt. Devon Moore streaks bacteria for isolation onto agar medium at the San Antonio Military Medical Center as part of his phase two training.



Spc. Aaron Madison performs biochemical testing to identify bacteria at the San Antonio Military Medical Center Dec. 6.

WATER from P3

and no new planting is allowed.”

Additionally, there will be no watering on weekends with a sprinkler, soaker hose or irrigation system.

All water restriction measures are listed in the JBSA Critical Period Management Plan available online at www.sam-houston.army.mil/pao/announce-event/pdf/JB-SACriticalMgtPlan2013.pdf.

“JBSA personnel should not confuse the JBSA water restrictions with the SAWS restriction levels,” Farmer stressed. “The JBSA water restrictions are more stringent and begin sooner than SAWS restrictions.

The JBSA Conservation Hotline at 466-4H2O (466-4426) allows for reporting of water abusers and will bring potential disciplinary measures to violators, Farmer said.

This water point of contact will respond to

calls, investigate, annotate abuse and inform the resident, facility manager or responsible individual of the problem, Farmer said. The POCs will then report the problem to the 502nd ABW, with further action coordinated from this point.

For people who live off base, SAWS has an online form to report water wasters at <http://www.saws.org/conservation/waterwaste/reportform.cfm>. These offenses can

lead to citations and fines for homeowners and businesses not following the rules.

To report off-base water and sewer emergencies, including main breaks, any time of day or night, call 704-SAWS (7297) for an immediate response.

For more water-saving tips, check out these websites: <http://www.WaterUseItWisely.com> (111 ways to conserve), <http://www.EPA.gov> and <http://SAWS.org>.

WATER CONSERVATION TIPS

1. If your toilet was installed prior to 1980, place a toilet dam or bottle filled with water in the toilet tank to cut down on the amount of water used for each flush. Be sure these items do not interfere with operating parts.
2. Install water-softening systems only when necessary. Save water and salt by running the minimum number of regenerations necessary to maintain water softness.
3. Wash clothes only when you have a full load and save up to 600 gallons each month.
4. Report significant water loss from broken pipes, open hydrants and errant sprinklers to the property owner or to your water management district.
5. Bermuda grasses are dormant and brown in the winter and will only require water once every three weeks or less if it rains.



(Compiled by 502nd Civil Engineer Squadron)

USAAAB from P1

14th edition of what is essentially an all-star game for high school football players.

Lealaimatafao is described on the bowl website <http://usallamericanbowl.com> as “a big defensive lineman that takes up a lot of space along the line. He is described as a very explosive player who can get into the backfield right away and also chase down a ball carrier when needed.

“Lealaimatafao is one of those players that teams avoid running at because they know they stand no chance getting by him,” the description continues. “His body control and balance make him a dominating force on the defensive side of the ball.”



Courtesy photo

Clayton Hatfield (center) is joined by (from left) Army Sgt. 1st Class Ahelardo Gallegos, father Steven Hatfield, sister Taylor Hatfield and Army Sgt. 1st Class Joseph Cruz during the U.S. Army All-American Bowl presentation.

A three-star prospect, according to recruiting websites <http://www.Rivals.com>, [Scout.com](http://www.Scout.com) and <http://www.247sports.com>, Lealaimatafao committed to the University of Texas-Austin Longhorns March 3 while on an unofficial visit to Texas, turning down offers from more than a

dozen other schools.

Sports website SBNation <http://www.sbnation.com> names Lealaimatafao among the best defensive tackles in Texas, as well as the nation.

“When Lealaimatafao lines up in a gap, he appears to be almost impossible for opponents to stop, in part because

of his size and height, but mostly because his anticipation of snap counts and impressive first-step quickness allow him to get into the opposing backfield almost before offensive linemen trying to reach block him can get their hands on him,” said SBNation writer Wescott Ebbers.

“In Lealaimatafao, Texas is making progress toward revamping a depleted cupboard of interior linemen,” wrote William Wilkerson of <http://www.ESPN.com>.

Hatfield, who stands at 5 feet 10 inches tall and weighs in at 160 pounds, is described on the USAAAB website as having “an explosive leg that allows him to rocket the ball into the end zone on almost every kickoff. He is a very accurate field goal kicker from any distance and at

any point of the game. Hatfield also handles his high school’s punting duty and does with exceptional accuracy, kicking the ball with plenty of hang time and direction, which allows his coverage team to limit the return yards.”

In the 2013 season for the Chargers, Hatfield made 42 of his 45 point-after-touchdown kicks and eight of 59 field goal attempts for a total of 66 points, according to <http://www.MaxPreps.com>.

In his three seasons on the Boerne Champion team, he has made 109 out of 118 PAT and 20 of 114 field goal attempts for a total of 169 points. Hatfield also scored on a two-point conversion run.

Hatfield has verbally committed to playing for the Texas Tech University Red Raiders as a walk-on player in 2014 according

to the website.

“Hatfield is a talented athlete whose leadership and teamwork qualities have made him a standout at Champion,” said Mark Davis, deputy assistant secretary of the Army for marketing.

“Hatfield continues to show his explosive power on kickoffs and field goals,” said Chris Shaw from Kicknation, an organization which trains and grades kickers, punters and long snappers from across the nation.

“He is one of the smoothest kickers I have seen. His velocity on his kicks on field goals are tops on any playing field.

“He is a Division 1 player that will play at a top program,” Shaw added. “He will be a true game changer for any program he plays for in the future.”

CAREER from P1

behind Staff Sgt. Edward Montgomery, Caisson Section noncommissioned officer in charge, and team chief Sgt. Jimmy Sandoval, the Soldiers introduced themselves and the horses and shared information about the traditions and history of the unit, its purpose, and riding and caring for the animals.

As Sandoval covered the significance of the equipment the caparisoned horse carries, a bevy of little hands flew into the air vying for his attention.

“Did you want to do this when you were little?” asked a student.

“I am still little,” Sandoval said, grinning.

“What’s the hardest part of your job?” asked another youngster.

“The ground!” Stablemaster John Deeley called out, smirking.

A third question

spurred more serious answers: “What is the most favorite part of your job?”

“Post rides,” Sandoval said. “Trail rides,” Montgomery declared. “Riding in the water,” said Team Chief Sgt. Benjamin Roberts.

While the Caisson Soldiers talked with children and their teachers outside, a team of Air Force explosive ordnance disposal specialists shared aspects of their jobs with a group of students inside the gym.

Air Force Tech. Sgt. Dan Solon and Senior Airman Craig Remington demonstrated a remotely-controlled robot used to defuse or blow up bombs and the bomb suits worn during reconnaissance, “render-safe” or disruption procedures.

While Solon discussed the specific features of the robot, Craig began moving the robot arm demonstrating its functions.

Fourth-grade students

Bryan Ferdin and Daniel Granados held slips of paper up for the robot arm to grasp. Then Ferdin held up his wallet. When the robot took it, he tried to pull it back. The robot held it tightly and a student-robot tug-of-war ensued.

“Kids dig it. It’s like a Transformer,” Craig said, referring to the 2007 film and toy line. “They see the benefits of science and engineering – they see real applications.”

Army and Air Force members also gave students a taste of military aviation, pest management and bioscience careers in the military. The San Antonio Fire Department brought an explosives detection dog for students to learn about.

Career day is a regular and important feature of the curriculum, explained Julie Verstuyft, Sun Valley Elementary principal.

First, students learn about each visitor’s oc-



Photo by L.A. Shively

Staff Sgt. Edward Montgomery (left) and Sgt. Jimmy Sandoval listen to a question from a student about the Fort Sam Houston Caisson Section horses and their jobs in the Army.

cupation in the classroom; they then come up with a series of questions to ask during the presentations.

Class groups moved between presentations until all students spent time with each guest.

“We get them to make the connection that what they do here directly

impacts their future,” Verstuyft said. “Sometimes it involves college, sometimes technical school.”

Verstuyft invited service members onto campus to familiarize her students with the broad spectrum of career choices available in the military.

“Students are surprised

to learn that there are many more types of jobs in the military besides tanks and guns,” Verstuyft said, adding that she also wanted the children to begin to understand the sacrifices that military members and their families make in order to serve their country.

REDUCTION from P3

sioned service as of Dec. 31, 2014, for separation and will target career fields and year groups based on sustainment levels.

Overages in the officer corps will require the force to conduct an Enhanced Selective Early Retirement Board, or ESERB. An ESERB allows the service to consider retirement eligible active-duty officers below the rank of colonel, lieutenant colonels once deferred for promotion, and colonels with two to four years time in grade. By law, the Air Force will select no more than 30 percent for each grade in each competitive category.

Voluntary separation pay will be offered to active duty officers with six or more years total active military service as a voluntary incentive prior to the board. A reduction in force, or RIF, board will consider regular officers below the grade of lieutenant colonel who have served at least one year of active duty in their current grade, are not on a promotion list, and have six or more years total active commissioned service and less

than 18 years of total active military service.

Officer and enlisted programs

Officers and enlisted in overmanned career fields with more than 15 but less than 20 years of service will be eligible for Temporary Early Retirement Authority, or TERA, Phase II. The Air Force will offer TERA in fiscal 2014 with the application window starting in January 2014.

Civilian workforce shaping

The Air Force will implement civilian workforce shaping initiatives, along with continued hiring to comply with mandatory funding targets and to rebalance the civilian workforce to meet skill demands for fiscal 2014 and beyond.

"The Defense Department used administrative furloughs to meet civilian pay budget demands in the compressed time frame between sequestration and the end of the FY13. We will meet a similar budgetary challenge in FY14 through a reduced workforce," said Brig. Gen. Gina Grosso, director of force management policy for the Air Force. The general

added that the Air Force's strategy to meet civilian pay budget targets does not include a furlough.

To reduce the number of employees assigned against previously and newly abolished positions, the Air Force plans to maximize the use of Voluntary Early Retirement Authority and Voluntary Separation Incentive Pay to entice employees who are eligible to leave federal service to do so voluntarily.

These programs offer early retirement for employees who are considering life outside of federal service and up to \$25,000 for employees whose voluntary separation would save another employee from being involuntarily separated.

"Over the last couple of years the Air Force has gone through significant civilian pay budget challenges," Grosso said. "By implementing voluntary programs now we hope to mitigate future involuntary losses to the civilian workforce."

While the impact to Joint Base San Antonio is uncertain, Rabe said anytime there are force reductions, challenges present themselves in a multitude of areas.

"Being forced to maintain current operations with a lesser number of people can potentially affect sustainability of certain programs, not to mention the overall health and welfare of our Airmen. Joint Base San Antonio is no different," Rabe added.

"Our Airmen will continue to excel no matter what challenges they face," she added. "However, during this time of fiscal uncertainty, I highly encourage all members to reach out to services available at their military and family readiness centers, their commanders and first sergeants and to take the time to review and update their personnel records."

The Military and Family Readiness Center at JBSA-Lackland can be reached at 671-3722, JBSA-Randolph at 652-5321 and at JBSA Fort Sam Houston, call 221-2584.

For more information about force management, force shaping, civilian employment and other personnel programs, visit the myPers website at <https://mypers.af.mil>.

(Editor's Note: This article is a combination of two separate Air Force News Service articles.)



Harlequin Dinner Theatre presents “Step into Christmas”
Last shows today and Saturday. For more information, call 222-9694.

Youth Midnight Basketball
Saturday, 7 p.m. to midnight, JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Youth Center, building 1630. Free and open to all Department of Defense ID card holders. Call 221-3502.

Holiday Junior Golf Classes
Two junior golf classes are scheduled to meet for five

sessions starting Thursday to Dec. 28 and Dec. 30-31. Ages 8 through 11 will meet from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and ages 12 through 15 will meet from 1-2:30 p.m. Fee is \$40 per player and includes a rule booklet, golf balls and instructions by a PGA teaching professional. Call 244-3415.

EFMP Family Movie Time
Dec. 30, 1-3 p.m., Military and Family Readiness, building 2797. The featured movie is “Turbo.” After the movie, there will be an open group discussion about self-esteem. Popcorn and drinks will be provided. Bring your own chairs, lawn-chairs, blankets, pillows, beanbags or whatever makes you comfortable. Call 221-0946.

New Year’s Day Run/Walk
There will be two events, a 4-mile race starting at 10 a.m. and a 1.4-mile walk or starting at 10:10 a.m. Jan. 1 at the Pershing Sports Complex by the RV Park on Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston. These events are free and open to all Department of Defense ID card holders. Call 221-3593 or 221-4887.

Youth Basketball Registration
Child and Youth basketball registration is ongoing through Jan. 2. Children must have a current physical that meets the requirement of the complete season from January through March. First game begins the second week of January. Cost is \$45 for 3-4 year olds and \$65 for 5 years and up. Call 221-4871.

'New Year! New You!' Women Encouraging Women Event
Jan. 10, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Military and Family Readiness, building 2797. Get advice and tips on beauty resolutions for revitalizing yourself. Door prizes will be raffled to participants. Call 221-0349.

New Squadron Commanders and First Sergeants
JBSA Family Advocacy Program is required to provide new squadron commanders and first sergeants a desk-side briefing within 90 days of their arrival or assumption of command per DD 6400.1. The briefing includes information on FAP services/classes, in an effort to assist them in promoting mission and family readiness. Call Family Advocacy at 292-5967.

Volunteer group offers alternative to drinking and driving

By Mike Joseph
JBSA-Lackland Public Affairs

A group of Joint Base San Antonio military volunteers know that drinking and driving is like oil and water – they don’t mix.

Their solution in the local fight against drinking and driving: Provide an alternative service for JBSA military members, Department of Defense civilian employees and military dependents with a valid DOD identification who need a safe way home.

The volunteers established a local program in July with the Armed Forces Against Drunk Driving to provide free safe rides home on Friday and Saturday nights for JBSA personnel, and dependents with valid ID, who are out drinking.

Two-person volunteer teams give rides between 10 p.m. and 3 a.m. to any JBSA location or place in San Antonio inside Loop 1604.

The USO joined this prevention effort in September, offering the

AFADD volunteers their downtown San Antonio location to operate as a call center. Before the move, the call center was housed in the San Antonio Military Medical Center emergency room at JBSA-Fort Sam Houston.

“We wanted to have this option (safe rides) open at JBSA,” said Senior Airman Santiago Holley, JBSA AFADD president.

“It’s a free, anonymous alternative to drinking and driving. We can take them wherever they need to go.”

Holley emphasized the rides are not a taxi service or for bar-hopping. The service is offered to keep people safe and prevent someone from possibly ruining their careers.

“If someone makes one mistake, they can lose it all,” Holley said. “We want all JBSA personnel to know they have this alternative to drinking and driving.

“We’ve had great community support,” he added. “The USO stays

open after 10 only for us. Our volunteers can be comfortable while they wait with access to movies, a game room, a library, wireless Internet or video games.”

Holley said the program is supported by Brig. Gen. Bob LaBrutta, 502nd Air Base Wing and JBSA commander, and Chief Master Sgt. Alexander Perry, 502nd ABW and JBSA command chief master sergeant.

Various JBSA services and organizations have provided volunteers for the program. They include the Navy, the Army, the Army Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers program, the 802nd Communications Squadron, the 624th Operations Center Strategy Division, the 59th Medical Wing, the 59th Medical Logistics Squadron, the 24th Air Force and the Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, a unit from Air Force Material Command.

Holley said he’s grateful for the support AFADD has received from JBSA senior leaders and the participating organi-

zations. He’d also like to see the group’s presence in San Antonio grow.

“We have over 200 mission partners in San Antonio and we encourage other units to participate,” he said.

“Our goal is to staff at least eight people every Friday and Saturday night at the call center,” Holley said. “We’d also like to open any time the installations are closed. Right now, we don’t have the manning for that, but we’d like to accomplish that goal in the next six months.”

According to Holley, additional volunteers could lead to more than just providing a ride home.

“We could educate JBSA personnel at the unit level on the effects of drinking and driving, and alcohol abuse,” he said with additional volunteers and unit involvement.

For more information on JBSA AFADD or to volunteer, contact Holley at 269-4796 or visit their Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/AFADDJointBaseSanAntonio>.

Holiday facility closures, hours

The following are the facility closures and holiday hours through Jan. 5, 2014 for Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston and JBSA-Camp Bullis. For information on closures at other JBSA locations, visit <http://www.jbsa.af.mil>.

JBSA-Camp Bullis Outdoor Recreation
Monday: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Tuesday-Thursday: Closed
Dec. 28-29: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Dec. 30: 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Dec. 31-Jan. 2, 2014: Closed
Jan. 3-5: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

JBSA-Camp Bullis Fitness Center
Monday-Jan. 1, 2014: Closed
Jan. 2-3: 4:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Jan. 4-5: Closed

Central Post Gym
Monday-Tuesday: 5 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Wednesday-Jan. 1, 2014: Closed
Jan. 2-3: 5 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Jan. 4-5: Closed

Child Development Center
Monday: 5:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday: 5:30 a.m. to a time to be determined
Wednesday: Closed
Thursday-Dec. 27: 5:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Dec. 28-29: Closed
Dec. 30-31: 5:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Jan. 1, 2014: Closed
Jan. 2: 5:30 a.m. to a time to be determined
Jan. 3: 5:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Jan. 4-5: Closed

JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Bowling Center
Monday-Thursday: Closed
Dec. 27-28: 4-9 p.m.
Dec. 29: Noon to 7 p.m.
Dec. 30-Jan. 2, 2014: Closed
Jan. 3-4: 4-9 p.m.
Jan. 5: 11 a.m. to midnight

JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Equestrian Center
Monday-Tuesday: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Wednesday: Closed
Thursday-Jan. 27: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Dec. 28-29: 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Dec. 30-31: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Jan. 1, 2014: Closed
Jan. 2-3: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Jan. 4-5: 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Fort Sam Houston Golf Course
Monday: 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Tuesday: 6 a.m. to noon
Wednesday-Thursday: Closed
Dec. 27-30: 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Dec. 31: 6 a.m. to noon
Jan. 1, 2014: Closed
Jan. 2-5: 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Jimmy Brought Fitness Center
Monday: 5 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Tuesday: 5 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Wednesday: Closed
Thursday-Dec. 28: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Dec. 29: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Dec. 30-31: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Jan. 1, 2014: Closed
Jan. 2-3: 5 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Jan. 4: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Jan. 5: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Fitness Center on the Medical Education and Training Campus
Monday-Tuesday: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Wednesday: Closed
Thursday-Dec. 27: 5 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Dec. 28: Closed
Dec. 29-Jan. 1, 2014: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Jan. 2-3: 5 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Jan. 4: Closed
Jan. 5: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
JBSA-Fort Sam Houston

Outdoor Recreation
Monday: 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Tuesday: 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Wednesday-Thursday: Closed
Dec. 27: 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Dec. 28-29: Closed
Dec. 30: 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Dec. 31: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Jan. 1-2, 2014: Closed
Jan. 3: 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Jan. 4-5: Closed

Sam Houston Community Center
Monday-Jan. 2, 2014: Closed
Jan. 3: 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Jan. 4-5: Closed

Student Activity Center
Monday-Jan. 1, 2014: Closed
Jan. 2: 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Jan. 3: 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.
Jan. 4: 1-10 p.m.
Jan. 5: 1-9 p.m.

JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Youth Programs
Monday: 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Tuesday: 6 a.m. to a time to be determined
Wednesday: Closed
Thursday-Dec. 27: 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Dec. 28-29: Closed
Dec. 30: 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Dec. 31: 6 a.m. to TBA
Jan. 1, 2014: Closed
Jan. 2-3: 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Jan. 4: 1-8 p.m.
Jan. 5: Closed

JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Post Exchange
Tuesday: 8:45 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Wednesday: Closed
Dec. 31: 8:45 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Jan. 1, 2014: Closed

JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Commissary
Tuesday: 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Wednesday: Closed
Jan. 1, 2014: Closed

NCO and Petty Officer Book to the Armed Forces released

A book release ceremony was held at the Pentagon Tuesday for "The Noncommissioned Officer and Petty Officer: Backbone of the Armed Forces" which is a comprehensive explanation of the enlisted leadership across the U.S. armed forces.

Written by a team of active, reserve, and retired senior enlisted leaders from all service branches, the book defines and describes how noncommissioned officers and petty officers fit into an organization, and explains their dual

roles of complementing the officer corps and enabling the force.

As Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. Martin E. Dempsey writes in his foreword to the book, "We know noncommissioned officers and petty officers to have exceptional competence, professional character, and soldierly grit – they are exemplars of our profession of arms."

This book helps prepare young men and women who strive to become NCOs and POs, re-inspires serving enlisted

leaders and stimulates reflection by those who have retired from or left active service.

It also gives those who have never worn the uniform a better understanding of who these exceptional men and women are, and why they are properly known as the "backbone of the armed forces."

As part of the ceremony, the first printed version of the book was autographed then delivered to the Library of Congress where it will reside for historical

preservation.

Electronic copies of the book are available through the National Defense University Press at <http://www.ndu.edu/press/nco.html>, the Joint Electronic Library at <http://www.dtic.mil/doctrine/nco.htm> and Joint Doctrine Education and Training Electronic Information System at <http://jdeis.js.smil.mil/jdeis/index.jsp?pindex=97> or through use of scanning a QR code.

(Article courtesy of the Joint Electronic Library)

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Preston, who participated in the ceremony. "The mission of this section is a humble and proud tradition for our Soldiers and society."

As part of the ceremony, Preston removed his namesake's training bit and halter and replaced it with a brand-new one bearing the new name.

Once the ceremony was complete, Preston rode his namesake back to the stables and led him into his stall, which also bears his new name.

The significance of the naming ceremony is larger than giving a horse a name. It formally honors the legacy of SMA Preston by perpetuating his name within the section.

"As long as there is a caisson section here, there will always be a horse named Preston – just like there will always be a Hall or Van Autreve," said Command Sgt. Maj. Hu Rhodes, senior Army enlisted leader for U.S. Army North, Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston and JBSA-Camp Bullis.

The Fort Sam Houston



Photo by Staff Sgt. Corey Baltos

Kenneth O. Preston, former sergeant major of the Army, reaches up Dec. 12 to pat Preston, the newest member of the Fort Sam Houston Caisson Section, after leading him into his stall following a formal naming ceremony for the horse next to the historic Quadrangle. Once they earn a place in the section, all male horses are named after former sergeants major of the Army. He was named after the 13th SMA, is the 13th horse in the section and occupies stall 13 in the stables.

Caisson Section is one of two active-duty caisson units in the Army; the other

is the U.S. Army Caisson Platoon, Headquarters and Headquarters Com-

pany, 1st Battalion, Third U.S. Infantry Regiment (The Old Guard).

OUTSIDE THE GATE

Free Beginner Hockey Clinic

San Antonio Youth Hockey and the San Antonio Rampage will host a free youth hockey clinic for beginners 4-6 p.m. Saturday at the Ice and Golf Center at Northwoods, 17530 Henderson Pass. Boys and girls ages 4 through 9 can participate. To register, visit <http://www.sanantonioyouthhockey.com>.

Women's Survivor Group

A women's survivor group has been created for women who have experienced sexual trauma. The goal is to increase survivors' understanding to their response to victimization and the impact on their lives. The group offers a safe, open atmosphere for discussion, as well as support to facilitate understanding of sexual victimization and the healing process. The group meets from 6:30-8 p.m. Mondays at the Rape Crisis Center group room at 7500 U.S. Highway 90 West, Building 2, Suite 201. Call 521-7273 for more information.

HOLIDAY CHAPEL SERVICES

CATHOLIC SERVICES

Main Post (Gift) Chapel

Building 2200, 1605 Wilson Way
Saturday, Dec. 21 and 28 – 5:30 p.m.
Sunday and Dec. 22 – 9:30 a.m., Advent Worship
Dec. 24 – 10 p.m., Mass
Dec. 25 – 9:30 a.m., Mass
Dec. 31 – 5:30 p.m., Mass
Jan. 1 – 9:30 a.m., Holy Mass

Army Medical Department Regimental Chapel

Building 1398, 3545 Garden Ave.
Sunday – 8 a.m., Mass

Dodd Field Chapel

Building 1721, 5844 Dodd Blvd.
Dec. 24 – 5 p.m., Children's Mass
Sunday, Dec. 22 and 29 – 13:30 p.m., Mass

PROTESTANT SERVICES

Main Post (Gift) Chapel

Building 2200, 1605 Wilson Way
Sunday and Dec. 22 – 8 and 11 a.m., Advent Worship
Dec. 22 – 8 and 11 a.m., Christmas Cantata
Dec. 24 – 7 p.m., Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
Army Medical Department Regimental Chapel
Building 1398, 3545 Garden Ave.
Sunday, Dec. 22 and 29, 11:01 a.m., Regular Worship
(Note: The 9:20 a.m. service will conduct worship on Sunday. There will be no 9:20 a.m. services Dec. 22 and 29.)

Dodd Field Chapel

Building 1721, 5844 Dodd Blvd.
Dec. 24 – 7 p.m., Samoan Christmas Eve Service
Dec. 31 – 7 p.m., Samoan New Year's Eve Service
Dec. 31 – 10 p.m., Gospel Watch Night Service

COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN POINTS OF CONTACT

The 2013 Combined Federal Campaign has been extended and now runs through Jan. 15, 2014. The points of contact for Joint Base San Antonio are:

502nd Air Base Wing:
221-4321
Alternate:
671-6705

502nd Force Support Group:
221-1844
Alternate:
221-2207

502nd Installation Support Group:
671-2528
Alternate:
671-5511

502nd Security Forces and Logistics Support Group:
652-3797
Alternate:
652-6915
Alternate:
652-3088

